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SUBJECT: STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA REPRESENTATIVE VISIT TO

--- ALGIERS OCTOBER 13-18

REF: ALGIERS 3016

1. COMMERCE/CAGNE INFORMED ROGERS OF EMBASSY CONCERNS. ROGERS IN TURN SPOKE WITH HIS GENEVA REP, DEMAURAUX, AND WITH STATE OF ILLINOIS REPS IN CHICAGO AND BRUSSELS TO DETERMINE NATURE OF ILLINOIS TRIP TO ALGIERS. STATE OF PENNA REP WISHES TO VISIT ALGIERS AS SCHEDULED FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

A) DEMAURAUX HAS ALREADY CONFIRMED HIS APPOINTMENTS WITH MINISTRIES AND STATE ENTERPRISES, WHICH ARE EXPECTING HIM. HE DOES NOT NEED OR REQUEST EMBASSY ASSISTANCE NOR DOES HE REQUEST EMBASSY OFFICER TO ACCOMPANY HIM ON APPOINTMENTS.

B) FOLLOWING ALGIERS VISIT, DEMAURAUX IS SCHEDULED RENDEZVOUS WITH ROGERS TO TOUR MID-EAST FOR PRE-ADVANCE WORK RELATING TO FUTURE IOGA TRADE MISSION W THERE
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WHICH IS BEING COORDINATED WITH COMMERCE.

C) THEY FEEL DEMAURAUX TRIP WILL NOT CONFLICT WITH ILLINOIS APPOINTMENTS WHICH GENERALLY INCLUDE DIFFERENT AGENCIES OR INDIVIDUALS.

2. DEMAURAUX WOULD LIKE TO CALL ON EMBASSY ECON./ COMMERCIAL OFFICER FOR HALF HOUR PROBABLY OCTOBER 14 IN ORDER TO STATE PURPOSE HIS VISIT AND SOLICIT SUGGESTIONS FOR ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO HIS SCHEDULED PROGRAM OF VISITS. HOWEVER, HE IS AWARE OF HEAVY POST WORKLOAD AND WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED BY MINIMAL EMBASSY ATTENTION TO HIM. IF POST OFFICERS COMPLETELY UNAVAILABLE, PLEASE INFORM COMMERCE.

3. FYI. CAGNE REP MET WITH ROGERS AND LATER SPOKE WITH DEMAURAUX MONTHS AGO AND ENCOURAGED THEIR PLANS TO VISIT ALGIERS WHILE CAUTIONING THEM TO CLEAR DATES WITH POST WELL IN ADVANCE, PARTICULARLY ANY REQUESTS FOR POST TIME. WE TREATED PROPOSED VISIT AS SIMILAR TO OTHER INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS VISITORS TO ALGIERS, WHO WE URGE TO INVESTIGATE ALGERIA MARKET WHETHER OR NOT THEY CLEAR WITH EMBASSY. WE ROUTINELY POINT OUT, AS WE DID THIS CASE, NEED TO CLEAR WITH EMBASSY IF INDIVIDUALS WISH DRAW ON EMBASSY RESOURCES, AND WE ROUTINELY OFFER TO CABLE POST OF BUSINESS TRAVEL WHEN DATES ARE FIRM. RECENT RECEIPT OF COPY OF DEMAURAUX LETTER TO FLACK WAS FIRST WORD WE HAD OF PRECISE DATES OF TRIP, ALTHOUGH

WE KNEW HE WAS CONSIDERING POST RAMADAN PERIOD AT OUR SUGGESTION . END FYI. KISSINGER

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